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 Washington, March 12, 1844.

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 NO. 6, WEST WING, CITY HALL.
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R. I. A. CULVERWELL, Collector and Agent, offers his services to his friends and the public generally for the collection of accounts and any agency business they may be pleased to favor him with, promising prompt action and speedy returns. Residence on 9th street, between G and H streets, opposite McLeod Academy, where four or five gentlemen can be accommodated with board, without lodging.
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ROBERT P. ANDERSON, Bookbinder and Paper Ruler, corner of Pennsylvania avenue and 11th street. Binding and Machine Ruling, of any kind or pattern, neatly and promptly executed, and on as good terms as any other establishment in the District.
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PHILADELPHIA BIRD CAGES.
 AN extensive assortment of Mocking and Canary Bird Cages just received, and for sale at manufacturer's prices. JAMES M. DORSETT,
 Snuff, Tobacco, and Fancy Goods Store,
 Mar 29 Pa. Av. No. 11, east of Gadsby's Hotel.

WHITE LEAD, LINSEED OIL, PUTTY, &c.
 50 KEGS White Lead, 80 Gallons Linseed Oil, 600 Pounds Putty, put up in bladders, 50 Boxes Window Glass, from 8 to 14 by 22.
 Just received and for sale low, for cash, or to punctual customers, by
 C. H. JAMES,
 ap 17- corner 14th and E streets.

TOBACCO AND SNUFF.
JAMES CLEPHANE, corner of Pennsylvania avenue and 12th street, has just received a large supply of Lorillard's snuffs, viz—
 American Gentleman, Congress, Maccoboy
 Coarse and Fine Rappee
 Irish High Toast, in bottles and jars
 Fine Cut, Chewing, and Smoking Tobacco, &c.

JOHN A. BLAKE, Bookbinder, Paper Ruler, and Blank Book manufacturer, south side of Pennsylvania avenue, near 14th street, and opposite Fuller's City Hotel (up stairs). Blank books of all descriptions mounted and varnished, and all kinds of fancy binding executed in the neatest manner and at reasonable prices.

NOOK'S IMPROVED PATENT LEAF HOLD-ER, OR TEMPORARY BINDER, of all the various sizes, with or without locks, will be furnished in any quantity and in any style of binding desired, at wholesale prices.
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POWELL'S BALM OF ANISEED, for Coughs, Colds, Shortness of Breath, Asthma, &c.—This valuable medicine has the extraordinary property of immediately relieving Coughs, Colds, Hoarseness, difficulty of Breathing, and Hiccups in the Throat. It operates by dissolving the congealed Phlegm, consequently causing a free expectoration.

Those who are troubled with that unpleasant tickling in the throat, which deprives them of rest night after night, by the incessant cough which it provokes, will, by taking one dose, find immediate relief; and one bottle in most cases will effect a cure.
 Price 25 cents per bottle.

For sale at the Perfumery, Fancy, and Patent Medicine Depot of **JAMES CLEPHANE,**
 mar 20- Corner of Penn. av. and 12th street.

CHEAP TAILORING ESTABLISHMENT.
C. BEVERIDGE, Seventh street, between A. Louisiana avenue and D street, next door to J. A. Donohoe's Grocery store, is prepared to make up clothing of every description in the most modern style and at the shortest notice, and not surpassed in workmanship by any establishment in the city. The following prices have been adopted in order to suit the times, viz:

Making and Trimming coat in the best style \$8 50
 do do do pants 2 00
 do do do vests 1 75
 Making coats, without trimmings 6 00
 do pants, do 1 25
 do vests, do 1 25

All work warranted to fit in a superior style.
 N. B. Gentlemen and children's clothing cut to order in the most fashionable style, and so arranged that there can be no mistake in making them up.
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TO THE AFFLICTED!
HAMPTON'S VEGETABLE TINCTURE FOR THE CURE OF CHRONIC DISEASES.—The most safe and certain remedy ever known to the world for various chronic diseases, after they have reached a state, and assumed a character, hitherto considered desperate and incurable.

Chronic Rheumatism, Scrofula, Kings Evil, attended with swellings and ulcers, sore eyes, and loss of sight, to a frightful extent, have been cured. Females pining away by reason of deranged secretions, broken calculations, and obstructed menses, (monthly courses) even when attended by spasms or fits, have been readily relieved.

Dyspepsia yields without a struggle to its mild yet powerful action upon the stomach. In Catarrh, or Cough, Rheumatism, and Fistula, it never fails to cure, as we have fully proved. All diseases having their origin in an impure state of the blood and fluids, will be speedily and effectually removed by this invaluable medicine.

This tincture tends directly to excite a healthy action in the stomach, liver, lungs, and kidneys, to purify the blood and other fluids, by expelling every particle of morbid matter from the system, and therefore never fails to prove a valuable remedy for the diseases which calomel has been invariably used. Old sores and ulcers, or any chronic affection; and for the calomel disease, it is an infallible remedy.

This remedy is perfectly vegetable, mild, agreeable, and safe for persons of any age, either sex, or any condition, acknowledged by those who have tried it, to be the best known family medicine.

The justly celebrated tincture creates a craving appetite, and the patient is left at liberty to indulge it. The use of this medicine will change the complexion from a pallid to a fine blooming one. After using this tincture for six weeks, a person of any age may eat anything that a child of ten years of age, in full health, could eat, without the least inconvenience.

Dr. Hampton is in possession of certificates from the Hon. Henry Clay, Col. Richard M. Johnson, Hon. John B. Dawson, of La., and many others, who have been benefited by the use of this tincture.

For certificates, &c., see pamphlet.
REMEMBER! Hampton's Vegetable Tincture can be had only at the Segar Store of

H. G. RITTER,
 Pennsylvania avenue, between 11th and 12th streets, and at
 A. G. GARDNER'S,
 Seed Store, F street, between 9th and 10th streets, opposite the Catholic church.

Each bottle has the proprietor's signature on the label. may 8-6m

THE TRUTH SOMETIMES NOT FOUND OUT UNTIL TOO LATE.

SUCH is often the case in regard to persons taking medicine. They are induced by plausible reasoning, false representation and doctrines, to employ medicines that, so far from being adapted to their disease or sickness, absolutely increase the symptoms, destroy the constitution, rack the whole system, and bring on a gradual decline, terminating in death; previous to the fatal termination, however, (but unfortunately too late), the truth is found out that the pills, mixtures, &c. they have been taking were composed of the most powerful and dangerous ingredients, prepared too by persons knowing nothing of disease or the nature of the medicines they recommended, depending altogether upon the "general doctrine of such impostors," that their medicines will "kill or cure." Be advised, then, if you find it necessary to take some medicine for purifying the blood and cleansing the bowels, to take nothing but Dr. Leidy's justly and deservedly celebrated SASSAPARILLA BLOOD PILLS, the only pills containing Sarsaparilla in their composition—the safest and best as well as the most effectual that can be taken.

Old and young, at all times, without regard to weather, may take them without fear of taking cold, and without restraint from occupation or usual course of living. Upwards of 1,000 certificates have been published, various times, of their efficacy. More than 100,000 boxes have been sold in Philadelphia in twelve months. These facts go to prove their value, or so many never would be sold in so short a time, in a place where they are manufactured; this, however, arises from the fact that the manufacturer of them (Dr. Leidy) is well known at home as a regular physician and apothecary, knowing the true nature of diseases and of the medicines he recommends, attested by the most celebrated physicians, among whom are Dr. Nathaniel Chapman, Dr. Wm. Gibson, Dr. W. E. Horner, Dr. Samuel Jackson, Dr. Robert Hare, Dr. P. S. Physic, Dr. T. C. James, Dr. W. P. Dewees, Dr. J. Redman Cox, Rev. W. H. Delancy, Robert Adrian, LL.D., &c. &c.

Orders for Dr. Leidy's BLOOD PILLS are daily received from the North, South, East, and West, and the most flattering accounts, from every direction, of their unparalleled success. A single box (25 cents) may save as many dollars, if taken in time, instead of the dangerous medicines now forced on the public, and by taking which persons so often find it necessary at last to take Dr. Leidy's Blood Pills, to counteract their injurious consequences.

They are prepared only, and sold Wholesale and Retail, at Dr. Leidy's Health Emporium, No. 191, North Second street, below Vine street, Philadelphia.

And by **CHARLES STOTT,**
 apr 25-3m Agent for the District.

DRUGS AND MEDICINES.
WALLACE ELIOT & CO., corner of F and 12th streets, have just received a fresh supply of Drugs and Medicines, viz—

Alcohol Sup. Carb. Soda
 Gum Camphor Prepared Chalk
 Sulph. Quinine Pearl Sugar
 Gum Arabic (extra) Rice Flour
 Lump Magnesia Refined Liquorice
 Cream Tartar Turkey Opium

And a variety of other articles, too numerous to mention.

Also, an assortment of popular **PATENT MEDICINES**, now in use; such as Oldridge's Balm of Columbia; Thompson's Eye Water; Leidy's Sarsaparilla Pills; Brandreth's Pills; Peters' Pills; Pease's Candy; Frey's Vermifuge.
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THE WHIG ALMANAC AND POLITICIAN'S REGISTER FOR 1844.—The above contains returns of elections in all the States for President in 1840, and the new Congressional elections by districts for 1843, and subsequently. The subscriber has just received several thousand of the above, which will be sold at about cost for distribution. Also, just received, 4,000 DEMOCRACY, Junius Tract, No. 6.
 R. FARNHAM,
 feb 2- Corner of 11 street and Penn. av.

NEW GOODS! NEW GOODS!
 We have just received
 50 pieces new style Silks, from 50 cts. to \$1
 10 do do Faded Silks, cheap
 25 do worsted Beres, at 31 cts., worth 50
 20 do superfine Balzines
 25 do beautiful colored Lace Lawns, cheap
 30 do Balzantine Laces
 25 Lace Silk Shawls, splendid article
 20 Berge Shawls, \$4 00, worth \$6
 A large lot of Mousselines, at any price that can be mentioned.

50 pieces Irish Linen, very cheap
 15 do French Bombazines, do
 20 do black Alpaca, from 50 cents to \$1
 A large lot white Cambrics, Jaconet Cambrics, Lace Cambrics, and cross-barred Cambrics

A great quantity of Drillings, Gambroons, Summer Cloths, Spring Cassimeres, Marselles Vestings, and 75 pieces best west of England black Cloth and Cassimeres, which we will have made up to order by one of the most experienced Tailors in this country, unusually cheap. Fits guaranteed.

3,000 yards bleached Cotton, at 61 cts.
 3,000 do hand-ome Calico, at 61 cts.
 2,500 do Chintz Prints, at 121 cts.

500 pair black twisted silk Gloves, at 25 cts., worth 50
 200 pair black twisted silk Mitts, with half fingers, at 25 cts., worth 50
 500 dozen Cotton Hose, assorted colors, at 121 cts., worth 25
 500 dozen cotton Hose, assorted colors, at 25 cts., worth 50

And every article usually kept in dry goods stores, too numerous to mention, which we sell lower than any other merchant in the District.
 may 21 HALL & BROTHER.

NEW GOODS! NEW GOODS!!
 We have just received, per packets Alexandria and Victory, from New York, a large and well-selected stock of FAMILY GROCERIES, among which are the following, viz:

SUGARS—Loaf, Pulverized, Crushed, Lump, N. Orleans, Porto Rico, Muscovado, Havana, Brown, &c.
 MOLASSES—Porto Rico, New Orleans, Sugar-house Syrup.

TEAS—Imperial, Gunpowder, Old Hyson, Young Hyson, Hyson Skin, Fouchong, &c.—all well selected.

COFFEES—Java, Angostura, Rio, Cuba, Laguyra, St. Domingo, and Bura.
 SPICES—Allspice, Mace, Cloves, Pepper, Ginger, Nutmegs, Cinnamon, &c.

FRUIT—Figs, Raisins, Prunes, Citron, Tamarinds, &c.
 OIL—Lamp, Sweet, and Florence
 CANDLES—Wax (colored), Mould, Sperm, Patent Sperm, and Adamantine

SOAP—Windsor, Castile, Palm, Almond, Brown FISH—Mackerel, Cod, Shad, Scotch and other Herring, &c.
 CIGARS—15,000 best Puerto Principe, and other brands

MISCELLANEOUS—Cheese, Lard, Hams, Salt, Macaroni, Vermicelli, Pickles, Catsups, &c.
 MATS—A great variety, made of grass, hemp, &c., &c.

WOODWARE of all kinds.
 Citizens, generally, are respectfully invited to give us a call at the corner of 7th and E streets, opposite the General Post Office.
 may 14-4f FALES & GLOVER.

JUST RECEIVED,
PER PACKET DODGE, in addition to our former stock, 8 bbls. Porto Rico, New Orleans, and Muscovado SUGAR. Also, a prime lot of New York FAMILY FLOUR. Citizens, generally, are respectfully invited to give us a call, at the corner of E and 7th streets, opposite General Post Office.
 may 13-4f FALES & GLOVER.

FRESH GROCERIES.
 THE subscriber is now in receipt of his SPRING GOODS, per packet Alexandria, from New York. His assortment now comprises nearly every article in his line, among which are the following, viz:

SUGARS—Loaf, powdered, crushed
 Lump, brown, New Orleans, Muscovado, Porto Rico, Havana, and clarified
 MOLASSES—Sugar-house, Porto Rico, N. Orleans, New Ibera, and Sugar-house syrup

COFFEES—Mocha, Java, Angostura, Rio, Maricao, Cuba, and St. Domingo
 TEAS—Old Hyson, Gunpowder, Imperial, Young Hyson, Hyson Skin, and Black. Particular attention paid to the better quality of Teas.

SPICES—Nutmeg and Mace, Allspice and Cloves, Pepper, Ginger, &c.
 FRUIT—Raisins, Prunes (in jars), Figs, Apples, Tamarinds, &c.

FISH—Shad, Salmon, Mackerel, Cod, and Herring
 CANDLES—Wax (white and colored), Sperm, Tallow, and Adamantine

OIL—Sperm, Lard, and Salad
 SOAP—Fancy, Windsor, and Common
 FLOUR—25 bbls. superior New York, 30 bbls. Virginia assorted brands

MISCELLANEOUS—Honey (in the comb), Maple Sugar, Macaroni, Vermicelli, Pickles, Sweetmeats, Sardines, Catsups, &c., &c. Pearl Barley, Irish Moss, Hams, Pine Apples, Sapsago, and N. York Cheese, Salt, Brooms, &c., &c.

S. HOLMES, 7th street.
 ap 30-4f

THE JUNIUS TRACTS.—No. 6, Democracy, just received. Also, on hand: No. 1. The Test, or parties tried by their acts; No. 2. The Currency; No. 3. The Tariff; No. 4. Life of Henry Clay; No. 5. Political Abolition.

NOTICE.—Committees, clubs, and all persons desirous of obtaining these tracts, are requested to send their orders with remittance to R. FARNHAM, corner of 11th street and Pennsylvania avenue, Washington, or to GREELY & McELRATH, Tribune office, New York, who will promptly forward them to any part of the Union, as may be directed. Remittances by mail, post paid or free, at the risk of the proprietor. Price for any of the series \$2 50 per 100 copies, or \$20 per thousand. Postmasters are authorized by law to make remittances under their frank.
 R. FARNHAM,
 jan 30 Bookseller, cor. 11th st. and Penn. Av.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOOK DEPOSITORY.
 Books of the American Sunday School Union may be always had at the Bookstore of R. FARNHAM, corner of 11th street and Pennsylvania avenue, at the same price as at the Depository in Philadelphia.
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LOOK OUT FOR THE NEW CHEAP CASH STORE.—The subscriber has just received, in addition to his former stock, 50 pieces beautiful new style Balzamines, Lawns, and Beroges of the most choice and richest patterns.

ALSO—
 4 dozen Neapolitan Bonnets [do
 5 do Modena, Birdseye, Shell, Gimp, and Braid
 5 do Bustle Skirts, and Grass Linen for Skirts
 2 cases handsome Calicoes

A large assortment of Linen Cambric Handkerchiefs and Fancy Cravats
 100 pieces Fancy Plaid Cassimeres, Gambroons, and Linen Drillings
 And every other article appertaining to Ladies' and Gentlemen's wear.

Come, Ladies and Gentlemen, one and all,
 To the store of S. T. WALL,
 Where great bargains can be obtained.

Pennsylvania avenue, betw. 8th and 9th sts.,
 may 6-d1w&3taw2w Opposite Centre Market.

BOOTS AND SHOES.
 THE subscriber respectfully invites all who are in want of the above articles to call at his store between 9th and 10th streets, Pennsylvania avenue, south side, where they will find an excellent assortment of Ladies' and Gentlemen's, Misses, Boys', and Children's BOOTS AND SHOES for sale at prices from 10 to 20 per cent. cheaper than at any other store in the city. The intention is positively to sell off and sell out as soon as possible.

The Store and Dwelling will then be for rent.
 Those indebted will please call and settle their accounts as soon as practicable.
 may 6-eo6t WM. DOUGLASS.

THE AMERICAN LABORER,
 DEVOTED to the cause of Protection to Home Industry; embracing the Arguments, Reports, and Speeches of the ablest Citizens of the United States in favor of the Policy of Protection to American Labor. With the Statistics of Production in the United States, &c., &c. In monthly parts, and now for the first time published complete in one volume. Price, \$1. Just received and for sale at the corner of 11th street and Pennsylvania avenue, by
 may 13 R. FARNHAM.

MANESCA'S FRENCH COURSE, an Oral System of Teaching Living Languages, illustrated by a practical course of lessons in the French through the medium of the English, by Jean Manesca, fourth edition, revised. For sale by
 R. FARNHAM,
 corner 11th street and Penn. av.

Where may be found all the French School books now in use, and sold at very low prices.
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GENTLEMEN'S FURNISHING ARTICLES.
 WE have received from Philadelphia an extensive invoice of Wearing Apparel, to be sold cheaper than ever—for instance: Shirts, with linen bosoms and wristbands, for 80 cents, worth \$1 25; Do. super with long bosoms and Byron collars, suitable for summer wear, for \$1 25—just the same article they ask you \$2 50 for in other dignities; Do. super do, all linen, for \$3! What! all linen, for \$3? Why, they charge \$5 elsewhere—they must be common and coarse. No, they ain't, either—call and see—they speak for themselves. Bosoms, for 121, 181, 25, 371, and 50 cents; Collars, at 121, 181, and 25 cents, worth 50 cents; Do. super do. French, at 371 and 50 cents. Summer Stocks, 371 cents—worth 75 cents. Black Italian Silk Cravats, Scarfs, Gloves, and Hosiery, with a large assortment of Summer Clothing at Northern prices.

LEWIS & HUNT,
 Penn. avenue, near 11th st.
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GERMAN PRINTING.
 THE Proprietor and Publisher of the German "National Gazette," is prepared to print, with neatness and despatch, speeches, documents, &c., in the German language, in pamphlet form or otherwise. Documents, &c., carefully translated into German.
 Office on E street, between 9th and 10th, Washington, D. C.
 P. A. SAGE,
 may 18-1m Publisher of the "National Zeitung."

SOMETHING NEW!
SIGN AND AWNING PRINTING.—The new FRANKLIN JOB PRINTING OFFICE, in E street, between 9th and 10th, is prepared to execute every description of Printing, from a poster down to a visiting card, with elegance, despatch, and at the most reasonable prices. Having procured an extensive assortment of the largest wood letter, (some more than one foot in size), this office is enabled to print on canvass for signs, awnings, exhibitions, &c., &c., at one-fourth less than the cost of having them painted.

Business men, strangers, and others, who may have printing of any description to do, will find it to their advantage to call at the above Job Printing Office.
 may 18-1m

CLOTHING AND FURNISHING ARTICLES.
TWENTY-FIVE PER CENT. BELOW NEW YORK AND BOSTON PRICES.—I have just returned from New York with a splendid assortment of Cloths, Cassimeres and Vestings, Gambroons, Gingham, Tweeds, Dradit, Neapolitan Twills, figured and plain Satin Vestings, large assortment of French goods, with a good stock of fine Shirts, Collars, Bosoms, Scarfs, Stocks, Gloves, Suspenders, Handkerchiefs, Socks, &c.

The whole of the above goods have been purchased for cash in the New York market with great care, and having had twenty-five years experience, I flatter myself they are purchased equal, if not far lower, than any goods brought to this market.

I have now made a large assortment of Summer Clothing of the most approved styles, and still continue to make up.

Also, I will make clothes to order, and warrant them to fit, for the same prices.

WM. MARSHALL,
 Merchant tailor and Clothing store, eight doors east of Gadsby's Hotel, corner of Kimmell & Walker's alley, and at my Auction store, between 9th and 10th streets, Penn. avenue.
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FOR SALE OR RENT.—Two two-story Brick Houses, on N. Jersey avenue, two squares from the Capitol. They are finished with basement rooms and large areas in front; folding doors to the parlors; three handsome chambers in the second story, and finished attics; the hill is being graded, and brick footways laid. These are good comfortable houses, and, to a good tenant, will be let low, or sold at a reasonable price. Apply to
 R. PATTEN,
 jan 30-4f Penn. av., betw. 10th and 11th sts.

COMMUNICATION.

ANNEXATION OF TEXAS.

NO. I.

The important question raised upon this subject, seems to be the engrossing one of the moment. It has originated a new issue with respect to the coming Presidential election, and from the tone which public discussion has assumed, it is evident that the fitness or unfitness of Presidential candidates will be decided with a great number of persons according to their opinion as to the propriety of annexation.

This being the case, the subject becomes one of paramount interest to every citizen, not only for its great importance in itself in a national point of view, but also for the bearing which it is made to have upon the question of the succession to the Presidency.

The subject appears to divide itself into the following heads:

Can the United States enter into negotiations for the annexation of Texas with honor, and with a due regard for existing treaties with other nations?

Would such an annexation be advantageous to the United States, if it can be accomplished without violating the honor, or the Constitution of the United States?

Is there one positive or probable necessity for annexation, growing out of circumstances at home, or in Texas, or from the known, or highly probable interference of other nations?

What are the arguments in favor of annexation? And first, as to the position with respect to other nations, which the United States will be placed in, by the completion of this treaty of annexation. It does not appear that any nation, excepting Mexico, Texas, and the United States, has anything to do with, or any right to interfere in the business. Now, if Texas and the United States enter into the treaty, all questions as to their concurrence in the measure is silenced.

Mr. Tyler's assertion, however, (see his letter accompanying the treaty), is not borne out, that "all the population of Texas, but seventy-three persons, declared their anxious desire, (in 1836,) to be admitted into association with the United States; as a portion of this country." Messrs. Van Zandt and Henderson's statement is, "upon a full poll, but ninety-three votes were given against the annexation." Mr. Tyler's assertion is a decided non sequitur. No one questions the right of Texas to make overtures for annexation with the United States, or to ask for assistance from any nation, but it may be very properly asked, have the United States a right to listen to such overture? Mexico has an undoubted right to ask this question; no other nation interferes, or has a right to interfere. Abstractedly considered, it may be more than "time" that the war between Mexico and Texas should cease.

It may also be true, that Mexico cannot conquer Texas. But have the United States a right to interfere between them any further than as a mediator? If she enters into a treaty with Texas, she takes sides with her, and virtually declares war with Mexico.

Mr. Tyler speaks about "conventions and stipulations" to be made with Mexico "to render her the most ample justice;" to be "ready at all times to hear and discuss any claims Mexico may think she has on the United States, and to adjust any that may be deemed to be so on the most liberal terms. There is no desire, (he adds,) on the part of the Executive to wound her pride, or affect injuriously her interest; but at the same time it cannot compromise by any delay in its action, the essential interests of the United States."

Now this appears to be a most specious and sophistical piece of argument, if argument it can be called. What is it but saying to Mexico, we do not know whether you are willing to part with Texas or not; we know that you claim the sovereignty of that country, although it claims its independence, and we have acknowledged it; we know also, that you and Texas are now at war upon that very point. We are your very good friends; we do not wish to disturb the present peaceful relations which exist between us; but whether you wish to give up the possession of Texas or not, or to abandon your right to endeavor to retain it, by refusing to acknowledge her independence, we can wait no longer; "the essential interests of the United States will be compromised by any delay in its action." Texas must be annexed to the United States; "we do not wish to wound your pride, or to affect injuriously your interests," but we must take that which you say belongs to you: and if you think we therein do you wrong, "we will do you ample justice by conventions and stipulations not inconsistent with our own rights and dignity." But where, in the meantime, is Mr. Tyler's regard for the rights and dignity of Mexico? If Texas is to be previously annexed to the United States without the consent of Mexico, what are these "conventions and stipulations" but *ex post facto* matters, like a compromise offered by a robber after he has taken your purse?

Now is not this talk about "conventions and stipulations," about "doing ample justice to Mexico," and "discussing any claims Mexico may think she has on the United States," about "wounded pride, and injured interests," as strong proof that Mr. Tyler feels he is acting unjustly, and that he is urging a policy of very doubtful correctness? The question appears to admit of a very easy solution. If Mexico agrees to the annexation, no other nation has a right to object to it; if she do not, the fair deduction of Mr. Tyler's own statement is, that annexation before that consent is obtained, or even before she has been consulted upon the question, would be dishonorable to the United States, of doubtful advantage to Texas, and unjust towards Mexico!

Nor is the case affected by the admission of the fact, although the evidence is not adduced, that